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Notice of Proposed Selection of Remedy
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Public Notices

The Executive Director of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) has issued a public notice of the proposed non-residential future land use for the Permian Chemical Company Proposed State Superfund Site, located at 325 Pronto Road, Odessa, Ector County, Texas. The TNRCC is proposing a non-residential (industrial) future land use for consideration in implementing the human health risk assessment, the ecological risk assessment and the feasibility study for this site.

Determination of future land use will impact the remedial action proposed for the site. Consequently, the TNRCC will hold a public meeting to obtain comments on the proposed future land use before completing the remedial investigation and evaluating remedial actions for the site. The public meeting will be held at the Ector County Courthouse, Commissioner Court Room, Ector County Administration Building, 1010 East Eight Street, Odessa, Texas on August 30, 1999, beginning at 7:00 p.m. This public meeting will not be a contested hearing under the Administrative Procedure Act (Texas Government Code, Chapter 2001). Once the subject meeting is held and future land use has been determined, a human health risk evaluation, ecological risk assessment, and a feasibility study, or similar study, will be performed to evaluate various remedial action proposals. The TNRCC will then propose a selected remedy and hold another public meeting pursuant to the Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 381.187.

The Permian Chemical site was proposed for listing on the state Superfund registry in the July 16, 1993, issue of the *Texas Register* (18 TexReg 4709). The Site is located southeast of Odessa, approximately 0.9 miles East of Loop 338, between Texas Highway 80 and Interstate Highway 20 East. Operations on the site consisted of the manufacture hydrochloric acid and potassium sulfate fertilizer by reacting sulfuric acid and potassium chloride. A TNRCC Phase I Remedial Investigation indicated elevated levels of hazardous substances (metals) in soils, and elevated levels of hazardous substances (organic compounds) in ground water at the site. The TNRCC has proposed a non-residential (industrial) future land use determination for consideration in implementing future actions at the site.

All persons desiring to make comments may do so prior to or at the public meeting. All comments submitted prior to the public meeting should be sent in writing to Carol Boucher, TNRCC Project Manager, Superfund Cleanup Section, MC-143, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. A portion of the public records for this site are available for public review during regular business hours at the Ector County Public Library, 321 W. Fifth Street, Odessa, Texas 79761, (915) 333-9633, or at the TNRCC, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building D, Austin, Texas 78753, (512) 239-2920. Copying of file information is subject to the payment of a fee. For further information, please call (800) 633- 9363 (within Texas only) or (512) 239-3844.

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The Executive Director of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) has issued a public notice of the determination of the proposed non-residential future land use for the Phipps Plating State Superfund Site, located at 301-305 E. Grayson Street, in San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas.

Determination of future land use will impact the remedial action proposed for the site. Consequently, the TNRCC will hold a public meeting to obtain comments on the proposed future land use, before selecting any remedial action for the site. The public meeting will be held at Hawthorne Elementary school 115 W. Josephine Street in San Antonio, Texas, on Tuesday, August 24, 1999, at 7:00 p.m.. This public meeting will not be a contested case hearing under the Administrative Procedure Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 2001).

The Phipps Plating site was placed on the State Superfund list on July 22, 1997, as announced in the *Texas Register* (22 TexReg 6898). The site is located at 301-305 Grayson Street, in San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas. The company had operated since 1968 electroplating metal parts and fixtures. The site is approximately .5 acre in size and, prior to a removal action conducted in 1998 and 1999, consisted of one two-story building. The first floor of the building had two plating rooms which contained plating baths for brass, copper, nickel, chromium, and gold . Some of the plating process involved cyanide compounds. On August 2, 1993, TNRCC removed sludge and liquid wastes from the sumps in the building and secured the building. In December 1998, a second removal action was conducted at the site to demolish the building and remove all contaminated debris and soil from the site. In May 1999, TNRCC initiated an investigation of groundwater and offsite soils to determine if contamination has migrated to these media. Because the properties immediately adjacent to the site are being used for non-residential purposes, TNRCC is proposing a non-residential land use for the Phipps Plating site.

All persons desiring to make comments regarding the proposed land use may do so prior to or at the public meeting. All comments submitted prior to the public meeting should be sent in writing to Glenda Champagne, TNRCC Project Manager, Remediation Division, MC-143, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. A portion of the records for this site are available for public review during regular business hours at the San Antonio Central Library, 600 Soledad Street, San Antonio, Texas 78205, 210-207-2500, or at the TNRCC, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building D, Austin, Texas 78753, (512) 239-2920. Copying of file information is subject to payment of a copying fees. For further information, please call (800) 633-9363 (within Texas calls only).

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Public Notice-Notice of Proposed Selection of Remedy

The Executive Director of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC or Commission) is issuing this public notice of a proposed selection of remedy for the Tricon state Superfund site. In accordance with 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §335.349(a) concerning requirements for the remedial action, and the Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 361.187 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act concerning the proposed remedial action, a public meeting regarding the TNRCC's selection of a proposed remedy for the Tricon America, Inc. state Superfund site shall be held. The statute requires that the Commission shall publish notice of the meeting in the *Texas Register* and in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the facility is located at least 30 days before the date of the public meeting. This notice was also published in the *Crowley Star Review* on Thursday, July 22, 1999.

The public meeting is scheduled at the Crowley City Hall, 120 North Hampton, Crowley, Texas, on Thursday, August 26, 1999, 7:00 p.m.. The public meeting will be legislative in nature and is not a contested case hearing under the Texas Government Code, 2001.

The site for which a remedy is being proposed, the Tricon America, Inc. state Superfund site, was proposed for listing on the state registry of Superfund sites in the July 26, 1991, edition of the *Texas Register* (16 TexReg 4102-4103).

The Tricon site occupies approximately five acres at 101 East Hampton Road within the city limits of Crowley, Tarrant County, Texas. The property has been used as an aluminum and zinc smelting and casting operation, for the production of concrete buildings, and as a facility to assemble fiberglass buildings. An ash pile from the smelting and casting operation is the area of concern. Cadmium, chromium and lead are the major contaminants of concerns on the site.

In April 1990, the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) conducted an emergency action to consolidate the majority of ash on the edge of a cliff on the north end of the facility. The pile was stabilized by spraying with a tar-like sealant. In November 1990, the EPA acted to further limit exposure that the contaminants might pose by capping the ash pile with a 40 mil plastic liner and covering it with Triloc concrete blocks. The EPA also fenced the site to restrict unauthorized access, and warning signs were posted on the fence.

In March 1997, a Remedial Investigation was completed for the Tricon site to determine the nature and extent of the contamination. A Focused Feasibility Study conducted in September 1998, identified and evaluated remedial alternatives for the site. A geotechnical investigation was conducted from December 1998 to March 1999, to evaluate the slope stability of the Triloc cap area. The geotechnical investigation found the slope to be stable. Additional sampling was performed in December 1998 to define the extent of contamination in surface and shallow subsurface soils on the Tricon facility and Deer Creek flood plain. During this additional sampling, no contaminated soil was located in the Deer Creek flood plain and no further action for this area is planned.

A Supplemental Focused Feasibility Study, dated June 1999, identified and evaluated additional remedies for the Tricon site. Based on the TNRCC's *Presumptive Remedies Guidance for Soils at Texas State Superfund Sites* (publication number RG-227, April 1997) four alternatives were developed for soil contamination and five alternatives were developed for the Triloc cap area. Based on the calculated volume of the waste ash and contaminated soil at the Tricon America, Inc. state Superfund site, the recommended remedial alternative is on-site containment. This on-site containment will be achieved by the following:

(1) **Excavation of approximately 130 cubic yards of soil containing metal concentrations exceeding the Preliminary Remediation Goals (PRG) on the Tricon facility, and moving the excavated soils to the upper (southern) end of the Triloc cap area.** This excavated material will be contained on-site during the final remediation of the Triloc cap area. This removal action was completed in July 1999, and a fence was installed separating the clean Tricon facility from the Triloc cap area.

(2) **Cap repair and installation of a french drain at the Triloc cap area.** The existing areas of material expansion under the Triloc cap will be repaired by removing the Triloc blocks followed by cutting and pulling back the plastic liner. The excess material will be removed to establish a smooth slope. The liner will be placed back over the exposed soil, heat welded and the Triloc blocks replaced. The

excess material will be placed over the southern end of the Triloc cap area along with the excavated soil from the Tricon facility. A french drain will be constructed along the southern edge of the Triloc cap area to intercept and collect surface water run-off and divert it away from the waste material under the cap. The uncapped area south of the Triloc cap area which will contain the excavated soil and the excess material will be graded to construct a reverse slope toward the french drain and will be covered with a geo-membrane liner. The plastic geo-membrane will be covered with top soil and a vegetative cover.

The on-site containment area will be fenced, signs will be posted, and a record will be placed in the deed for the property. The existing monitor wells will be sampled and analyzed at a regular intervals to monitor any impact of the capped waste on the ground water. The site will be maintained. This recommended remedial alternative is the most cost effective, reasonable and appropriate remedy for this site. The TNRCC has prepared the *Proposed Remedial Action Document* for the site. This document presents the proposed remedy and justification for how this remedy demonstrates compliance with the relevant cleanup standards.

Persons desiring to make comments on the proposed remedial action or the identification of potentially responsible parties may do so at the meeting or in writing prior to the public meeting. Written comments may be submitted to Subhash Pal, P. E., TNRCC Project Manager, Remediation Division, MC 143, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. **All comments must be received by the close of the public meeting on August 26, 1999.**

The Executive Director of the TNRCC prepared a brief summary of the Commission's records regarding this site. This summary, and a portion of the records for this site, including documents pertinent to the proposed remedy, is available for review during regular business hours at the Crowley Public Library, 121 N. Hampton Road, Crowley, Texas (817) 297-6707. Copies of the complete public record file may be obtained during business hours at the TNRCC, Central Records Center, Building D, North Entrance, Room 190, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, telephone (512) 239-2920. Photocopying of file information is subject to payment of a fee. For further information regarding this meeting or the Tricon site, please call 1-(800) 633-9363 (within Texas calls only) or (512) 239-2463.

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Public Utility Commission of Texas

Notice of Application for Amendment to Service Provider
Certificate of Operating Authority

On July 12, 1999, State Discount Telephone filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to amend its service provider certificate of operating authority (SPCOA) granted in SPCOA Certificate No. 60147. Applicant intends to expand its geographic area to include the entire state of Texas.

The Application: Application of State Discount Telephone for an Amendment to its Service Provider Certificate of Operating Authority, Docket Number 21099.

Persons with questions about this docket, or who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should make appropriate